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CAWMC LOSES TWO MEMBERS: CAWMC has recently lost two long-time members, **John Brennan** and **Harvey Farrow**. Write-ups memorializing both of these men are found later in this newsletter. Lou Vesh has written about John, and John Regitko has written about Harvey. We will miss, but cherish the memories of both of these men.

CAWMC MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS NOW PAST DUE:

If you have not mailed it in, do it now. No newsletter will be mailed to you next month, if our membership chairman, **Al Munro** has not received the renewal by March 20th 2001. **DO IT NOW**. Al's address is at the bottom of page two.

NOMINATION FORM ENCLOSED:

Since this is *an election year for CAWMC*, a nomination form is enclosed for your use. The form explains that **nine elected positions** which are open to nominations on our CAWMC executive to run *from summer 2001 to summer 2003*. The nomination form should be *signed by the person you are nominating (Nominee)*. This signature indicates that the person nominated knows of the nomination and is willing to have his/her name stand for that position.

Nomination forms should reach me (your editor) **no later than Sat. April 28th, 2001** when the Southern Ontario Chapter of CAWMC meets for an afternoon wood meeting at the annual Ontario Numismatic Association convention advertised briefly elsewhere in this newsletter.

THINKING OF SUMMER? JULY 2001:

I know it is early but in cold Grand Valley it feels good to talk about warm July at this time of year.

To that end, CAWMC member *Jerry Remick* has written an article on *alternate accommodation* for this year's C.N.A. convention in *Quebec City* (see pages 5 and 6). Jerry gives excellent details for accommodation at **Laval University** in Quebec City. In the past, when this C.N.A. convention was held in Quebec City, some CAWMC members and others have found excellent accommodation at Laval University. Check it out.

Thanks for this information, Jerry.

EDITOR'S NEW E-MAIL ADDRESS: Please note that your editor has a new e-mail address as a result of my recent move. It will ***always be found in the header at the top of page one***. There is no excuse now for you not to send along, to me, all that new information and material for the newsletter. E-mail address is: rossk@headwaters.com

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR AND TO COLLECTORS:

As a collector for the past seven or eight years, I am now finding it more difficult to add to my collection by attending shows and bourse dealers. I have a box full of traders or duplicates that are of no value to my collection but I'm sure would be of interest or value to someone out there.

Without a 'wooden money show' or a specifically designated area for wood collectors, within the existing shows, it is difficult to benefit other collectors and myself.

If you are finding the same, please notify the Editor so that a section of 'Timber Talk' might be considered for advertising " Trades & Swapping ".

I'm sure collectors would find this to be rewarding.

Sincerely, Dave Gillespie

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DUES: Membership dues in the Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors is:

Canadian Residents: $10.00 Canadian Funds
United States Residents: $10.00 U.S. Funds
International Members Rate (outside of Canada and U.S.): $20.00 Canadian Funds
Youth (16 years of age and under): $5.00

Dues paid to Mr. Al Munro, Box 2643 Stn. 'M', Calgary, AB, Canada T2P 3C1

FREE WOOD OF THE MONTH

This " Daffodil Dollar ", promotional wood, is our free wood, for each member, this month. The wood is similar to last month's free wood except that it was issued for the " SOUTH STORE ONLY ". The wood was issued by ' Golden Acre Garden Sentres ' of Calgary, Alberta. Note the spelling of " Sentres". This wood is green both sides, similar to last month's wood. It was sent to me by our CAWMC member Al Munro. Thanks for the wood, Al.

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JOHN BRENNAN

September 10, 1928 - January 5, 2001

On January 5th of this year we lost a friend. For many who broke bread with John Brennan at the C.A.W.M.C. breakfast in Ottawa last year it was the last occasion to see him. For some, it was the first *and* last time to see him.

Despite many years of battling with cancer and other medical problems, John covered his battle scars well. Although he had every right to be gloomy, his zest for life gave him a cheerfulness that rubbed off on those whose lives he touched. He had a strong faith, and it showed.

In the world of wooden nickels John's first catalogued wood was a round in 1977 and became the 2nd wooden nickel to come out of Ottawa. After three more rounds he began issuing the "praying hands" flats, for which he is best known. Many other issues followed, both rounds and flats, announcing family occasions, seasons greetings, special days, or bringing encouraging words in the fight against cancer and heart disease.

John's years of service in the R.C.M.P. were such that required a low profile. He maintained this approach even after he received a medical discharge from the Force almost twenty years ago. He did, however, keep his promise to attend the breakfast meeting last year, and we're glad of that. It was a time to share.

We will cherish the memory.

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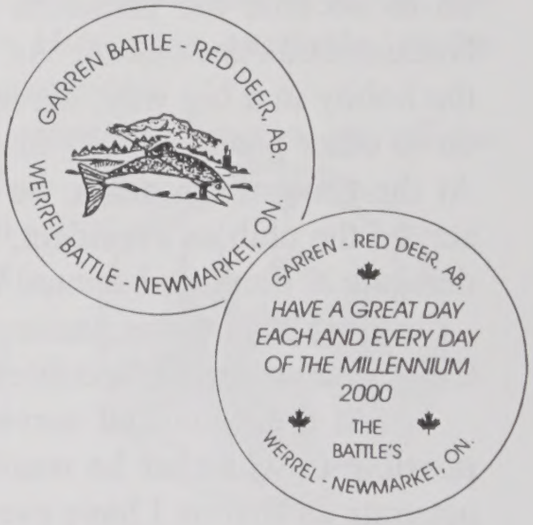
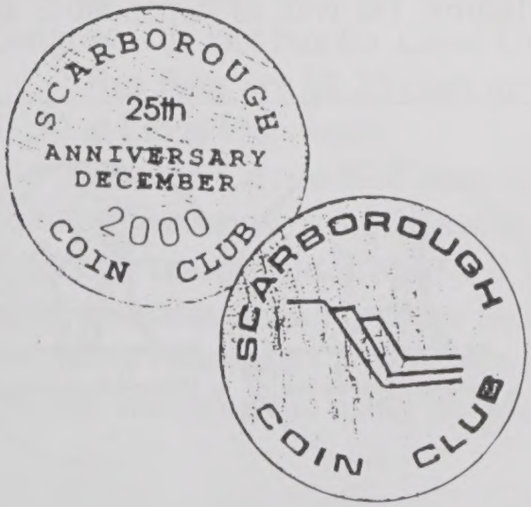
NEW WOODS:

Brothers *Werrel Battle*, of Newmarket, Ontario and *Garren Battle*, of Red Deer, Alberta have issued this wood simply to express ' good wishes for the millennium '. The fish side of the wood is blue in colour and the ' Have A Great Day…' side is red. I have no information on how to obtain these woods or even if there are any available.





Scarborough Coin Club's 25th anniversary Dec. 2000 wood (blue/red) is available for $.50 each plus a SASE from David Bawcutt 75 Claremore Ave., Scarborough, ON Can., M1N 3S2.

IN MEMORIAM – HARVEY FARROW:

Harvey Farrow, one of the North York Coin Club's staunchest members, passed away suddenly at his home on January 18, 2001. A memorial service was held on Feb. 15th. His 'home' club was well represented at the service.

Harvey was predeceased by his parents, Godfrey and Hazel and was only six months old when his father passed away. Harvey was 63 years of age. He received his education at Variety Village in Toronto where he learned to cope with his physical disabilities which were the result of a birth defect. His determination to succeed at whatever he chose to do was evident, even in his childhood, because one of his 'hobbies' was going on long walks around Toronto.

Following his education at Variety Village, he obtained employment at Remington Rand where he was responsible for accounts receivables and credit & collection. After 20 years, he joined All-Comp Supplies & Services Ltd. founded by North York Coin Club member John Regitko. He and John continued their 20 year association, begun at Remington Rand, with another 20 years in John's business where Harvey was responsible for all of the Company's accounting functions.

An avid hockey fan and season ticket holder, he could be found every Saturday evening cheering for his favourite team, the Toronto Maple Leafs. He could also be found at a number of local area coin clubs, including North York, Oshawa, Thistletown and Scarborough, as well as Markham Village, Huronia and Richmond Hill when they were operating. He could be found at every ONA convention since the ONA's very beginning, as well as at virtually all CNA conventions regardless where across Canada they were held.

Harvey received his start in numismatics when his mother and her best friend, Louise Graham, introduced him to the fun and fellowship of the Toronto Coin Club. Mrs. Graham went on to become the president of the Toronto and North York clubs as well as the Canadian Numismatic Association. As a result, Harvey became involved in the organizational aspects of the hobby in a big way, agreeing early on to become Treasurer of the Toronto club and moving on to other positions. His history with the North York Coin Club has been long and extensive. At the time of his death, he was treasurer, a position he had held for over 25 years. He also served the club as President, Receptionist, and Social Convenor. He represented the club as its delegate at numerous annual ONA and CNA conventions.

Just prior to his passing, he agreed to take over as treasurer of the Mississauga-Etobicoke Coin , Stamp and Collectibles Club.

At the memorial service, John Regitko stated, 'Harvey was determined to do the best possible in whatever he was involved, be it business or his hobby. He was as dependable and accurate as anyone I have ever known.'

NEW WOOD:

CAWMC member *Stan Banner* came across these woods in Carlsbad, California. There are woods (chips), similar to the one shown here, in colours of green, blue and red (both sides). The woods are used as poker chips at Villa Del Palmar at Puerto Vallarta, Mexico.

INEXPENSIVE ROOMS AVAILABLE FOR THE 2001 QUEBEC CITY C.N.A. CONVENTION:

by Jerry Remick

Nearly three thousand very inexpensive single and double rooms are available in four modern residence buildings at **Laval University**, Quebec City, for visitors to the *2001 Canadian Numismatic Association convention* which will be held in Upper Town Quebec City **from July 26th to 29th**. The room rates during the summer of 2000 were $28.76 for a single room and $40.21 for a double room, including all taxes. Rooms include a wash basin, sheets, towels, soap, blankets for the bed and a telephone with free local phone calls. Parking is free if you ask for a parking sticker.

Several restaurants and cafeterias on the Laval University campus offer inexpensive meals. There is even a bar.

These inexpensive rooms can allow collectors, of limited means, the opportunity of attending the 2001 C.N.A. **convention to be held at the Centre des Congres de Quebec**, which faces the side of the Quebec Provincial Parliament Buildings situated in the heart of Upper Town Quebec City. It is within walking distance of all major sights, restaurants, bars, discotheques, cafes and excursion boats.

The *logo* for the 2001 C.N.A. convention *shows the St. Louis Gate (La Porte St. Louis),* one of three gates that allow passage through the stone wall surrounding old Quebec City. Tourists can rent a horse and buggy to see part of the city. The gate and horse and buggy will be pictured on the 2001 C.N.A. convention medal and was *drawn by well- known artist Diane Levesque* of Bic, Quebec.

At Laval University, the 800 and 801 buses stop every five minutes, within a few hundred feet of the four residence buildings. It is only a fifteen minute bus ride from the University to the Centre des Congres de Quebec, which is situated next to **the Hilton Hotel, the official hotel for this 2001 C.N.A. convention**. Rooms at the Hilton are available, at the C.N.A. special rate of, $172.00 plus 15% tax for visitors to the convention.

If you take the 800 or 801 bus from the University to the Centre des Congres, get off the bus at the bus stop next to the side of the Quebec Provincial Parliament building and opposite the Radisson Hotel, which is on the other side of the street. It is a walk of a few hundred feet toward Quebec City to reach the convention site.

The bus stop for going back to Laval University is called STCUQ STATION PLACE QUEBEC, and is situated in front of building 900 and between the Hotel Radisson and the Centre des Congres. The last bus for Laval University leaves at 12:30 a.m.

Bus fares are $2.25 cash or you can purchase bus tickets for $1.50 at Laval University.

Quebec City is best seen on foot so you do not need a car. There is, however, a good public parking facility at the multi-storey building at D'Youville Square at reasonable prices and very close to the Centre des Congres de Quebec. There are many restaurants with outdoor tables on Grande Allee Street just one block from the convention site. Most restaurants post a menu. You can enjoy a drink at an outdoor table during the day, in the sun, watching the many people pass by.

QUEBEC CITY CONVENTION 2001 continued: *by Jerry Remick*

If you come to Quebec City *by train*, get off at Ste. Foy station. It is a four kilometer ride to Laval University.

If you come *by plane*, to Quebec City, the Jean Lasage Airport is ten kilometers from Laval University. There are airport buses and taxis.

If you come *by bus*, the Ste. Foy bus station is about two kilometers from Laval University.

Three very large shopping malls, situated side by side, with hundreds of stores, are situated just west of Laval University. It is a very short walk to them and store selection is excellent.

The convention bourse will be open ***Friday, Saturday*** *and* **Sunday, July 27th to 29th**. This year, *Sunday has a full day of activities, including the bourse*. Normally **our annual Canadian Association of Wooden Money Collectors (CAWMC) meeting is held on the Sunday morning as a breakfast meeting**. Since Sunday is a full day of activities, our breakfast meeting should be well attended. Everyone is welcome.

For a free brochure on Laval University's residences for summer visitors, write to Service des Residences de L'Universite Laval, 1643 Pavillon Alphonse-Marie-Parent, Cite Universitaire, Quebec, Quebec, Canada G1K 7P4. Telephone is 418-656-2921 and fax is 418-656-2801.

The design shown here and on the previous page, is the official logo for the 2001 C.N.A. convention and will be used on the convention medal and woods issued at the convention.

CAMBRIDGE COIN SHOW:

The *"Cambridge Coin Club"* is hosting its *10th annual* show on

SAT. MARCH 24th, 2001

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

at the Cambridge Newfoundland Club

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